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1. DURING MARCH 9 CALL AMBASSADOR BARTELS RAISED SUBJECT OF APPOINTMENT NEW US AMBASSADOR WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY RUSH. OBVIOUS PURPOSE WAS PROBE AS TO WHETHER DELAY IN FILLING POST SINCE LAST NOVEMBER OCCASIONED BY OR RELATED TO DANISH CRITICISM US VIETNAM POLICY. DEP SEC TOLD BARTELS THAT DELAY HAD NO RPT NO IMPLICATION FOR DENMARK, WAS SOLELY DUE TO WAY OUR SYSTEM WORKS, AND THAT SOMETIMES CONSIDERABLE LENGTH TIME REQUIRED FIND RIGHT PERSON FOR AMBASSADORIAL POSTS. HE SAID SPECIFICALLY THAT USG NOT RPT NOT EQUATING DENMARK AND SWEDEN WITH RESPECT SENDING NEW AMBASSADOR. BARTELS SAID DEP SEC' S COMMENT VERY WELCOME NEWS, AND THAT HE HOPED APPOINTMENT COULD SOON BE MADE SINCE PRESENCE US AMBASSADOR IN COPENHAGEN WOULD BE
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MOST HELPFUL ASSIST TO US- DANISH COMMUNICATION.

2. ON GENERAL SUBJECT US- DANISH RELATIONS, BARTELS LEFT
WITH DEP SEC PAPER WHICH HE DESCRIBED AS RESULTING FROM
THOROUGH REVIEW WITHIN DANISH GOVERNMENT, SETTING OUT GOD
VIEWS ON RELATIONS BETWEEN US. MEMCON AND PAPER BEING
POUCHED. ROGERS

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